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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST: PETER MAESTRI

REF: (A) WELLINGTON 1322, (B) 74 WELLINGTON 2673,
(C) 74 WELLINGTON 1592

1. FOLLOWING ARE EMBASSY OBSERVATIONS PROMISED PARA. 5
REFTEL A.

2. WELLINGTON'S 2673 (REFTEL B) CONTAINS ALLEGATIONS
BY MAESTRIS ABOUT PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS AND THE GNZ. IF
TAKEN OUT OF CONTEXT, FOR INSTANCE AS QUOTE FROM OFFICIAL
EMBASSY REPORT, THESE MIGHT EMBARRASS USG RELATIONS WITH
GNZ. THIS SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN MAKING FINAL
DECISION ON WHAT SHOULD BE RELEASED TO MAESTRI.

3. EMBASSY SEES NO REASON TO WITHHOLD PARA. ONE AND
TWO OF WELLINGTON 1592 (REFTEL C) FROM MAESTRI. PARA.
THREE, HOWEVER, COULD CAUSE EMBARRASSMENT TO GNZ.
THIS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED IN MAKING DECISION ON RELEASE.
FACT THAT PARA. FOUR CONCERNS AN INDIVIDUAL OTHER THAN
MAESTRIS SHOULD BE WEIGHED IN DECIDING WHAT TO RELEASE
TO MAESTRI.
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